

LASKER TO FIGHT FOR SEA TRADE, IGNORING COSTS

American Shipping to Stay on Great Trade Routes, Chairman Declares.

International News Service.
American shipping will stay on the strategic trade routes of the world and fight for its share of tonnage regardless of cost, Chairman Lasker of the Shipping Board declared last night, commenting on the improved outlook for the board.

He added that the matter of cost now appears in a more optimistic light.

"The board is in sight of the end of the drain on the country's resources," Lasker said.

The trade lines mentioned are those to China and Asia, South America, and to some extent the North Atlantic areas. The Jones act makes it mandatory for the Shipping Board, or any succeeding agency operating American ships, to maintain the flag on these seas.

It was with this mandate in mind that Chairman Lasker announced his determination to maintain these sea lanes at any cost, and declared emphatically that he would not hesitate to overrun his budget if necessary to execute the program.

These losses, however, are not regarded as certain in the light of present developments. The present monthly loss of \$5,700,000 is to be cut to \$5,000,000 if possible, which is calculated to permit the Shipping Board to remain within the \$100,000,000 allotted by Congress for this year. Lasker said he expects to manage on \$50,000,000 and the \$50,000,000 may be expected to tide the board over the period until better conditions prevail.

SOLDIER THOUGHT DEAD WANTS FATHER'S TOMBSTONE

MADISON, Wis., Sept. 15.—Albert Brinker is planning to recover the \$200,000 estate of his parents, who died recently in Chicago. Brinker was reported killed in action during the war and failed to inform his parents of his whereabouts.

Recently he learned that they had died and that their property had been taken over by the State of Illinois.

GIRL LOSES \$50 TRESES WHILE ASLEEP AT WINDOW

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Sept. 17.—Mrs. Margaret Grey was peacefully slumbering in her home on Seventh street with her head near an open window.

She woke up with a start, at a sound of scissors, felt her head, and found a bold thief had snatched off her golden tresses.

She had been offered \$50 for these by a local hairdresser.

The police have not nabbed this unique robber as yet.

HOOVER LAUNCHES PROBE OF COAL FIELD IDLENESS

Secretary of Commerce Hoover is making a study of unemployment in the coal mining industry.

At his direction, several of the government's economic experts are making a careful survey of conditions now responsible for idleness in the coal region, and measures that may be taken at the coming conference on employment to reduce the ranks of jobless in that field.

AUTO RACING DRIVER KILLED IN CRASH ON OMAHA TRACK

OMAHA, Sept. 17.—Cy Cobb, an automobile racing driver of Minneapolis, was killed here today when his machine crashed into a fence on the track at Akasarden Festival Field.

In attempting to pass a car ahead, Cobb became blinded by a cloud of dust and his car left the track.

STEAMSHIP AFIRE AT SEA PUTS BACK TO SAVANNAH

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 17.—The Norwegian steamship Bjornstjerne Bjornson, which cleared here last night for Hamburg, put back today on account of a fire which is reported to have badly damaged the vessel.

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LEADING FIGURES IN "MOVIELAND" TRAGEDY

"Fatty" Arbuckle consulting with his lawyers in San Francisco city prison.

MRS. MAUD DELMONT.



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Nurse who corroborated
Miss Jameson's testimony.

HURT AFTER SHE LEFT 'FATTY,' CLAIM

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shatter completely the prosecution's case against Arbuckle by obtaining the evidence concerning the other man.

New Theory of Defense.

According to this new theory of the defense, Miss Rappe was not fatally injured when she was alone in a room in the St. Francis hotel with Arbuckle. The injury which caused her death, according to the evidence under investigation, was inflicted after Miss Rappe left Arbuckle's suite in a hysterical condition.

The name of the man necessarily was withheld. It was said, however, that if he did inflict the injury on Miss Rappe, it was entirely accidental and while he was endeavoring to help her.

Cohabiting with this development, the scene in the real life drama of Arbuckle, who is held in San Francisco on the murder charge, shifted to Los Angeles with the arrival here this morning of Frank Dominguez, chief of defense counsel, and Lou Anger, Arbuckle's manager.

Dominguez and Anger arrived on the Southern Pacific "Lark" within an hour after the body of Miss Rappe was taken from a train. Dominguez went to his office and began work directing the gathering of evidence for Arbuckle's defense.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 17.—But for the absence of the strident megaphoned orders of a director, Roscoe ("Fatty") Arbuckle might have believed himself "back on the lot" yesterday, doing a police court scene.

Played Title Role.

Not long ago he played the title role of "The Life of the Party," in which he appeared as an attorney, and his antics made thousands laugh. Yesterday he had the title role of a prisoner charged with murder.

Much the same court trappings prevailed yesterday as in his movie scenes. The same "magohany bar of justice," the same wide flat counsel tables, the same bored looking audience, the same avidly interested camera men took their stations close by the empty jury box from which advantage point they would overlook no important scene.

Women in Audience.

Arbuckle appeared before an audience made up almost exclusively of women. Judge Sylvian Lazarus' court is a woman's court. Ordinarily men are not admitted to this court unless relatives of women are on trial.

Arbuckle's case was assigned to this court because of the fact that his alleged victim was a woman.

WOMAN SLAYS MAN FOR ATTEMPTED KISS

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 18.—A charge of murder was filed against Mrs. Jesuita R. D'Agostini, who was found sitting beside the body of Arnold Foster, a merchant and politician. Two bullets had been fired into Foster's heart.

Mrs. D'Agostini was quoted by the police as having said: "He tried to kiss me. He insulted me and I killed him."

Police believe Mrs. D'Agostini is mentally deranged. Five years ago she killed her husband.

First Airplane Thief Comes to Grief; Hits Tree

By International News Service.

CHICAGO, Sept. 17.

CHICAGO'S first airplane thief came to disaster here early today and fell into the clutches of the police a few hours after the plane he had stolen had encountered the top of a tree and crashed to the ground.

Frank Stroud, a veteran flyer from Sioux City, Iowa, was arrested soon after a plane belonging to W. C. Burnmeister had been found near the Evanston Golf Club with bloodstains in the cockpit.

Stroud confessed, according to the police, that he stole the plane with the idea of using it in a "barnstorming tour" of various towns.

Stroud was injured in the fall of the plane. He said the radiator started smoking soon after he began his illicit flight and in trying to land he struck a tree.

MITCHELL BOMBING REPORT IS SHELVED

Senators Promise Congressional Probe for Suppression of General's Views.

By Universal Service.

Charges that the airplane was "sold out" in the joint army and navy board's verdict in the recent bombing tests off the Virginia Capes, to decide the relative fighting efficiency of aircraft and the capital ship, are to be thoroughly investigated by Congress, it was learned late last night.

News that Brigadier General Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service, who was in charge of the aerial operations during the tests, had submitted a report to Secretary of War Weeks attacking the findings of the joint board upholding the battle-ship caused a mild sensation on Capitol Hill.

Senators and Representatives who began the agitation which resulted in the tests were especially wrought up. While some of them knew that General Mitchell had privately assailed the report of the joint board, they were not aware that he had set down his own opinions in a formal report to the Secretary of War, and the question immediately was raised as to why only one of the reports had been made public.

Unless this question is satisfactorily answered by the War Department before Congress reconvenes, Senators said today they would take steps to obtain the Mitchell report. They would demand the report from the War Department through a formal resolution of whether call General Mitchell before an investigating committee, but they promised action would be taken promptly.

Secretary of War Weeks said yesterday he had not decided where to place Maj. Gen. Curtis T. Menoher, whose resignation as Chief of the Army Air Service revealed the existence of the Mitchell report. The secretary also was non-committal on General Menoher's successor.

TOO MUCH HOT WATER IN BATH CAUSES DEATH

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 18.—Never permit anyone to pour hot water into the tub when you're bathing. Learn that much from the mournful experience of others.

Homer Beatty is dead from being scalded. The handle of a kettle broke as his wife went to pour hot water into the tub where he was bathing.

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HE PICKETS WILSON'S HOME; GOES TO JAIL

"Hunger Striker" Later Is Taken to Asylum for Observation.

Carrying a banner that he was on a hunger strike and that he and his former associates had been deceived by the Wilson administration, a man giving his name as John R. Whalen, a railway mail clerk of Des Moines, Iowa, was arrested this afternoon for picketing in front of the home of former President Wilson at 2340 8 street northwest.

On the banner which Whalen carried was printed: "On Hunger Strike. I am an American citizen who was told in 1913 by a now United States Judge that I could not expect any justice from the government then in control at Washington."

Policemen Brown and Smoot, of the Tenth precinct, arrested Whalen, who was sent by Captain Thomas Judge, commander of the precinct, to the Washington Asylum hospital for mental observation.

POLICE TRACE STOLEN SOAP THROUGH CLEAN NECKS

BOSTON, Sept. 17.—It seems that five hundred cakes of soap disappeared from a store. Police were notified.

Patrolmen Hobbs and Schnicks noticed an unusual number of clean hands, necks and ears among the children. They asked one washed youth if he had any of the new soap. An affirmative answer was given.

BOSTON, Sept. 18.—It seems that followed numerous questions and numerous visits to homes. One day netted 350 bars of the missing soap.

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AMERICANIZATION SCHOOLS WILL OPEN

All Foreign Men and Women Are Invited to Attend. Schedules Announced.

The day classes of the Americanization Department of the Public Schools will open Monday, September 19. The evening classes will not open until October 3.

All foreign men and women who wish to learn to speak English and who wish to prepare for citizenship are most cordially invited to attend for the fall work.

The day classes will be at the following schools:

Columbia High School (old Central) Seventh and O Streets Northwest. Classes every morning (except Saturday and Sunday) 10 to 12 o'clock. Classes every afternoon (except Saturday and Sunday) 1 to 4 o'clock.

Webster School, Tenth and H Streets Northwest—Classes every afternoon (except Saturday and Sunday) 4 o'clock, morning classes and day classes to be announced later.

129 Scott's Place Northwest—Classes Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

Georgetown and Arthur Place—Home classes will be arranged later and special Red Cross classes will be announced next week.

For further information concerning day or evening classes or for special work for preparation for citizenship call at the Americanization Office, Seventh and O streets northwest, Columbia High School, and ask for Miss Aiton, principal in charge.

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